## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT, WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES POST OFFICE BOX 451 JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39205

#### PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT NUMBER W13 3517(I)

TO:

The Honorable Delbert Hosemann

Secretary of State Post Office Box 136 Jackson, MS 39205 AND

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

The Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, at a meeting in Jackson, Mississippi on April 8, 2010, under authority of Section 25-43-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, made known its intent to adopt the following wildlife management area regulations for the 2010-11 hunting year. This was done under authority of Sections 49-5-13 and 49-7-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

Be it ordered that Public Notice Number W12 3517 is hereby repealed, and the following 2010-11 wildlife management area hunting regulations are adopted.

## 2010-2011 Regulations for Trim Cane Wildlife Management Area

#### Oktibbeha County

Oktobena County			
SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER	Handicapped Hunting by permit only.		See HANDICAPPED DEER HUNTING and LEGAL BUCKS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Nov. 1	Feb. 28	Trapping prohibited during area rabbit hunts.
WATERFOWL	Hunting by permit only.		See WATERFOWL in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
RABBIT	Hunting by permit only.		See BAG LIMIT and RABBIT in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.

# SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR TRIM CANE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT NUMBER <u>W13 3517(I)</u>

WMA USER PERMIT: All persons using this wildlife management area, except those exempt from purchasing an annual hunting or fishing license, must carry on their person an annual statewide Wildlife Management Area User Permit. This permit is required in addition to the daily visitor use permit and any required license and may be purchased wherever licenses are sold.

BAG LIMIT: Same as statewide bag limits EXCEPT:

Rabbit - a party limit of 8 rabbits per day.

**PERMIT STATIONS:** All visitors must obtain a DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card from the self-service permit station. Parts A and B of this permit must be legibly filled out before using the WMA. Part A of the permit must be deposited in the return box at a permit station before using the WMA. Part B must be displayed on the dash of the vehicle so that the name, address, and date are visible from outside the vehicle. Permits are invalid if not properly dated or if date has been changed. Before leaving the WMA, visitors must complete the reverse side of Part B of the permit and deposit it in the return box at a permit station. It is the responsibility of the Area Manager and other Agency personnel to have permit cards completed.

WATERFOWL: Waterfowl hunting is by special permit only. You may apply online at <a href="https://www.mdwfp.com">www.mdwfp.com</a>. Only one application per hunter will be accepted. Hunters may apply for permitted waterfowl hunts on no more than 3 WMAs statewide during the 2009-10 season. Applications must be received by Nov. 1, 2010 to be eligible for drawing. Waterfowl hunts will be held on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Youth hunters may apply for a special youth hunt (in addition to applying for the standard waterfowl hunt). Dates for the special youth hunt will be the same as the statewide special youth waterfowl hunt. Each permitted hunter will be allowed two hunting guests. All hunters must be checked in and out by area personnel. All hunters must remain inside their assigned hunt station areas at all times. On the morning of area waterfowl hunts, non-permitted hunters may come to the WMA Headquarters and enter a random drawing at 5:00 am for any openings created by permitted hunters not showing up. Shooting hours are one half hour before sunrise until 12:00 noon. All hunters and equipment must be removed from area by 1:00 pm. Spent shot shells must be removed from area.

**RABBIT**: Rabbit hunting will be allowed by special permit only. You may apply online at <u>www.mdwfp.com</u>. Only one application per hunter will be accepted. Applications must be received by Oct. 15, 2010. Rabbit hunting dates are: Nov. 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27; Feb. 2, 5, 9, 12, 16, and 19. Selected hunters can bring 4 guests during each hunt.

**HANDICAPPED DEER HUNTING:** Handicapped hunting is by special permit only. You may apply online at <a href="https://www.mdwfp.com">www.mdwfp.com</a>. Only one application per hunter will be accepted. Applications must be received by November 1, 2010. To be eligible, handicapped applicants must have a physical condition which makes them fully dependent on a wheelchair for mobility. Handicapped hunts will be held on Saturday afternoons and all selected participants must check in and out at the headquarters. Handicapped deer hunt dates are: Dec. 4, 11, 18, 25; Jan. 1, 8, 15, and 22.

**LEGAL BUCKS:** Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 12 inches OR one main beam length of at least 15 inches. For hunters less than 16 years of age, one of the three buck bag limit may be any buck.

**DOG RESTRICTIONS:** Dogs are allowed for rabbit and waterfowl hunting only.

**LEGAL WEAPONS:** Handicapped deer hunt participants may use centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs, or primitive weapons during any hunt date.

**OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs:** Off-road motorized vehicles/ATVs are allowed on designated roads or trails for hunting access only.

**HORSES:** Horseback riding is restricted to roads open to motorized vehicles and designated ATV trails. Raccoon hunting from horses is allowed on entire area during nighttime hours.

CAMPING: No camping allowed.

**BEARS:** Black bears may occur on this WMA. Hunting or disturbing bears is prohibited. Please report any bear sightings on your daily visitor use permit.

Anyone wishing to comment on the above proposed action may do so in writing to the Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, P. O. Box 451, Jackson, MS 39205, no later than May 10, 2010.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

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BY:

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